

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

In re: Vitamins Antitrust Litigation

This document relates to:

Tyson Foods, Inc., et al. v. Akzo
Nobel, Inc., et al., No. 99CV2681
(W.D. Ark.)

Quaker Oats Co., et al. v. BASF
AG, et al., No. 99CV1972 (D.D.C.)

Southern States Cooperative, Inc.,
et al. v. Akzo Nobel, Inc., et al.,
No. 5:99CV70 (W.D. Va.)

Cactus Operating, Ltd., et al. v.
Akzo Nobel, Inc., et al., No.
2:99CV288-J (N.D. Tex.)

Marshall Durbin Farms, Inc., et al.
v. Akzo Nobel, Inc., et al., No.
2:99CV152 (N.D. Ga.)

Misc. No. 99-197 (TFH)

MDL No. 1285

FILED

APR 4 - 2001

NANCY MAYER-WHITTINGTON, CLERK
U.S. DISTRICT COURT

**STIPULATED ORDER CONCERNING RHÔNE-POULENC S.A.'S ANSWERS
AND ADDITIONAL DEFENSES TO PLAINTIFFS' COMPLAINTS
FOR ANTITRUST VIOLATIONS**

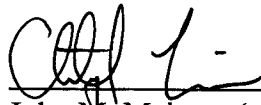
IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED, by and between plaintiffs in each of the above captioned cases and defendant Rhône-Poulenc S.A. (now known as Aventis S.A.) that the filing of Defendant Rhône-Poulenc S.A.'s Answer in Blue Seal Feeds, Inc., et al. v. Akzo Nobel, Inc., et al., No. 99CV2683 (C.D. Ill.), filed March 30, 2001, shall be deemed filed in each of the above-captioned cases. To the extent the Complaints in the above-captioned cases contain allegations not specifically responded to in the Answer to the Blue Seal Feeds Complaint, Rhône-

1804

Poulenc S.A. does not admit those allegations and reserves the right to respond to those allegations specifically.

Dated: March 30, 2001

Respectfully submitted,



John M. Majoras (*admitted pro hac vice*)

Mary-Helen Perry (Bar # 450447)

Christopher J Lovrien (Bar#466937)

JONES, DAY, REAVIS & POGUE

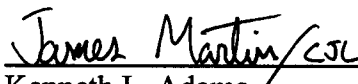
51 Louisiana Avenue, N.W.

Washington, D.C. 20001-2113

Telephone (202) 879-3939

Facsimile (202) 626-1700

Attorneys for Rhone-Poulenc S.A.



Kenneth L. Adams

Richard J. Levridge

James R. Martin

DICKSTEIN SHAPIRO MORIN &

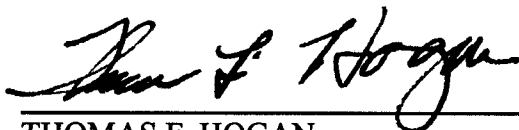
OSHINSKY, LLP

2101 L Street N.W.

Washington, D.C. 20037-1526

On behalf of Plaintiffs in all of the above actions

SO ORDERED:



THOMAS F. HOGAN

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

DATED: March 2, 2001